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SUBJECT: W/W AMCIT JOHN J. SULLIVAN

REF: SAN SALVADOR 93

1. JOHN SULLIVAN'S PASSPORT FILE PROVIDES FOLLOWING INFORMATION: DPOB NOVEMBER 22, 1954 NEW YORK; DPOI PASSPORT MAY 29, 1979 NEW YORK. FATHERS NAME JOHN SULLIVAN JR. ADDRESS AS SHOWN IN REFTEL. ADDRESS IS ALSO PERMANENT ADDRESS OF SUBJECT. TELEPHONE NUMBER (201) 343-2661.

2. PARENTS HAVE PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT: APPROXIMATELY 6 FEET TALL (5 FEET 11 INCHES), 190 POUNDS, BROWN (SANDY) HAIR, FULL BEARDED, BROWN EYES, SLIGHT SCAR ON BRIDGE OF NOSE, OLD SCAR ON LEFT CHEEK. SUBJECT HAS PARTIAL UPPER PLATE. SUBJECT WAS WEARING JEANS, TAN POPLIN AND BLUE BAG WHEN HE DEPARTED.

3. BACKGROUND: SUBJECT WORKED IN COMPOSING ROOM OF NEW YORK NEWS FIVE YEARS. TERMINATED EMPLOYMENT ABOUT TWO YEARS AGO. PARENTS HAVE CONFIRMED THAT SUBJECT WAS ASKED TO DO STORY FOR HUSTLERS MAGAZINE THUS HIS PRESENCE IN SAN SALVADOR. FATHER STATES THAT BRUCE DAVID, ASSISTANT EDITOR OF HUSTLER MAGAZINE HAS TOLD MEDIA THAT SUBJECT WAS COMMISSIONED TO DO A 4500 WORD IN DEPTH POLITICAL INVESTIGATIVE PIECE INVOLVING INTERVIEWS WITH LEADERS OF BOTH SIDES OF CIVIL STRIFE IN COUNTRY. PARENTS ALSO VOLUNTEERED INFORMATION THAT SUBJECT EXPECTED TO REMAIN IN EL SALVADOR BETWEEN 7 AND 10 DAYS. PARENTS BELIEVE THAT SUBJECT MAY HAVE PLANNED VISIT TO MARY KNOLL MISSIONARY SISTER'S (BASE OF RECENTLY MURDERED NUNS). PARENTS HAVE NOT HEARD FROM SUBJECT SINCE HIS DEPARTURE.

4. SISTER, DONNA IGOE [redacted] INFORMED DEPOFF THAT SUBJECT WAS CONTEMPLATING ALSO VISITING SMALL VILLAGE TO DO SHARK FISHING. SHE BELIEVED THAT IT WAS SOMEWHERE IN EL SALVADOR. SUBJECT MENTIONED POSSIBLE SHARK FISHING IN MEXICO.

5. SUGGEST EMBASSY INVESTIGATE POSSIBILITY SUBJECT MAY RENTED A CAR.

6. SINCE THIS CASE HAS CREATED INTENSIVE MEDIA AND CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST, THE DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE A DESCRIPTION OF POST'S EFFORTS TO DATE AND ACTIONS BY LOCAL AUTHORITIES ASAP.

7. IN CONVERSATION WITH FATHER OF SUBJECT DEPOFF WAS INFORMED THAT TWO PHOTOGRAPHS WERE SENT TO AP AND UP OFFICES IN SAN SALVADOR. ONE PHOTO WAS TAKEN EARLIER SHOWING SUBJECT WITH MUSTACHE. A MORE RECENT PHOTO SUBJECT WAS FULL BEARDED.

8. YOUR COOPERATION AND ASSISTANCE APPRECIATED. HUSKIE

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